

MEXICO.

Additional Particulars of the Capture of Bagdad.

A Regiment of Colored Infantry Said to be the Captors.

THREE HUNDRED PRISONERS TAKEN.

IMPORTANT LIBERAL SUCCESSES

Toluca Captured by General Pascual Muñoz.

Two Silver Mines Said to Have Fallen Into the Hands of the Juarists.

The Imperialists Drawing in Their Horses.

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MORE EXECUTIONS OF LIBERALS.

Arrival of the Ex-Rebel General Early at Vera Cruz.

Effect of the President's Message in Mexico.

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The Capture of Bagdad.

New Orleans, Jan. 18, 1866.

A private letter from the Inspector of Customs at Clarksville, Texas, says the One Hundred and Eighteen colored infantry, under Colonel Davis, took all the skiffs in his charge, crossed the river, and captured Bagdad. They then began plundering the place and killing the people. The scene was indescribable. The negroes shot men down for refusing to give up their money.

A letter from Brownsville, of the 7th, to the Times, says Bagdad was captured on the morning of the 5th. The attacking party consisted of sixty men. They captured nearly three hundred prisoners, half of whom turned liberals and formed a guard of the town, the attacking party disappearing. The liberal loss was four killed and eight wounded; the imperialists loss was eleven killed and twenty-seven wounded.

Generals Crawford and Escobedo, on receipt of the above intelligence, started for Bagdad. General Weitzel ordered Colonel Hall, the assistant revenue officer, not to allow any one to cross until the arrival of Escobedo. General Crawford arrived in advance of Escobedo and assumed command.

Escobedo requested of General Weitzel two hundred men to preserve order, which was agreed to, and the men were ordered down.

A French corvette shelled the town on the 6th all day without damage.

Colonel Muñoz, Escobedo's post commander, had only about a dozen reliable men in Bagdad. The rest have joined General Crawford, who has them on board a steamer tied to the bank of the river at Bagdad.

Our Vera Cruz Correspondence.

The impoverished condition of the imperial treasury, to the ill-feeling and non-co-operation between commanders in chief, would account for the fact that the warlike are becoming less powerful and active, and when they do move the enemy before them they at least harass them to a considerable degree. With each day there seems to come a further confirmation of the report that the imperial forces will be mainly concentrated at Mexico city, General Juan Early arrived here a few days ago, accompanied by several Confederates. It is understood that he will leave to-day for the city of Mexico. He has dyed his hair black. He rode all the way through the Southern States with his party of confederates in Western Virginia.

GENERAL MANUEL RUE
has made an application to the imperial government to be permitted to return to his home and practice the profession of law.

ANOTHER ENGAGEMENT AT MARAVATIO.

Information has been received, verbally, of an attack made on Maravatio by the liberals and of their total defeat. It appears that the liberal General Regules was victorious over the imperialists, but that he was only a general of seventy men with a large force. The general of Maravatio was under the command of D. Mariano Lopez, who, when it became known that Regules was advancing, was urged by the inhabitants to surrender the place, the object of the citizens being to lessen the evils expected from the forthcoming attack. But General Lopez declined, saying that he had wagged his head not to give up the place. When the citizens saw that his determination was to resist to the last, and that he would give them arms, they nobly seconded his efforts to protect the city.

REGULES' ATTACK AND DEFEAT.

Regules presented himself before the city at nine o'clock on the morning of the 16th of December. At the time the contra-guerrilla command, under Gonzalez, was at the village of Tlalpan, a distance of about ten miles from the city. Regules' command was mounted and about eighty strong. About one hundred and fifty soldiers and quite a large number of citizens were at once armed and made available for the defense of the city. Regules' first move was to form a camp, separating each command.

He then made a general assault, and gallantly fought upon three points, but was defeated in all.

At the same time the contra-guerrilla command made an attack upon one of the enemy's flanks, and came very near being successful, and indeed the partial success of the former was due to the chief of the contra-guerrilla, the commanding officer of the Juarist cavalry.

The attack proving unsuccessful, Regules withdrew his troops to a distance of half a league from the defenses of Maravatio. Regules lost twenty five killed, a number of wounded and eight prisoners. Among the prisoners was one officer.

ANOTHER ENGAGEMENT.

It is further reported that Regules, after his retreat before Maravatio, was met by the command of General Menevez on a road leading to the village of Tlalpan, situated between Acuña and Zinapetla, and that a battle took place there, in which Menevez was the victor, taking about seven hundred prisoners. This news comes from the city of Mexico.

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REPORTED CAPTURE OF MEXICALI.

According to an official note from General Calderon, General Alatorre has agreed to surrender Mexicali to the imperial forces.

All of the above news is derived from imperial sources, and should, therefore, be taken *cautele*.

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The commandant of Mexicali, under date of the 5th of December, reports the following:—In compliance with instructions I remain here, at a distance of 150 miles from Bagdad, with one or two men, to receive the orders of my superior. My object was to ascertain the route to the coast, situated between Acuña and Zinapetla, and that a battle took place there, in which Menevez was the victor, taking about seven hundred prisoners. This news comes from the city of Mexico.

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THE EXPERT IN MEXICO CITY.

Mexico City, Jan. 1, 1865.

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The die is cast. The web which conceals the future is drawn. Whatever may be the new trial through which our country may pass, most men put themselves into a state of repose and quietude, waiting to see what would happen.

The enemy was disorganized and driven in all directions. The enemy had four killed and ten wounded. The Indians, however, were the only ones who did not run away from the encounter of the day, and did not know what to have to do; from the other side we expected that vague and indefinite feeling which the unknown produces upon our souls.

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